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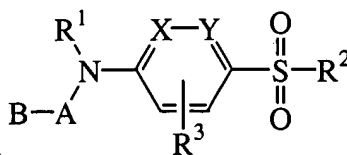
Amendment

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of December 14, 2001. Applicants request that the following amendments be entered without prejudice and the application be reconsidered in light of the amendment and following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended Herein) A compound of the formula (I):



Formula I

wherein:

A is $-(CR_2)_n-$ where n is 1, 2 or 3 and R is independently hydrogen or alkyl;